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JOINT COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS COMMITTEE

COORDINATION BETWEEN THE JOINT COMMUNICATIONS-
ELECTRONICS COMMITTEE AND THE ARMED FORCES SECURITY AGENCY

Note by the Secretaries

The enclosed draft memorandum is circulated for consideration of the members of the Joint Communications-Electronics Committee.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director, Armed Forces Security Agency

Subject: Coordination Between the Joint Communications-Electronics Committee and the Armed Forces Security Agency

1. In order to avoid duplication of effort and confusion between the Armed Forces Security Agency and the Joint Communications-Electronics Committee in the handling of communication security and cryptologic matters, your concurrence in the following general procedures is requested:

a. That the Security and Cryptographic Panel of the Joint Communications-Electronics Committee be considered inactive as soon as the items now before that panel are acted upon.

b. That all new items, which would formerly have been referred to the Security and Cryptographic Panel of the JCEC, be referred by the Director, Communications-Electronics to the Armed Forces Security Agency for appropriate action.

c. That the required AFSA coordination of JCEC panel papers be obtained through formal request to the Director, Armed Forces Security Agency by the Director, Communications-Electronics.

d. That mutual advice between JCEC panels and the lower echelons of the Armed Forces Security Agency be obtained by informal request directly between the appropriate officers of the panel and AFSA concerned. In this connection it is to be noted that this does not constitute coordination and the advice so given is not to be considered as committing either the Joint Communications-Electronics Committee or the Director, Armed Forces Security Agency.

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e. That the Security and Cryptographic Panel of the Combined Communications Board continue to handle combined communication security and cryptologic matters.

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Director, Communications-
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